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ORDER

CERTIFIED NOXIOUS WEED-FREE HAY AND STRAW REQUIREMENT

ALL NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM LANDS AND NATIONAL GRASSLANDS WITHIN THE STATE OF COLORADO

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(a) and/or (b), the following is **prohibited** on all National Forests, National Grasslands, Forest Development Roads, and Forest Development Trails, within the State of Colorado until further notice:

 Possessing, storing, or transporting any hay, straw, mulch or forage product which has not been certified as free of noxious weeds and seeds by a certified State or County Agriculture officer. 36 CFR 261.58 (t)

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50 (e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

- Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
- Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- Persons possessing or using pelletized feed or grain products.
- Persons transporting hay, straw, mulch or forage product on Federal, State, and County roads that are not National Forest System roads and trails.

Done at Lakewood, Colorado, this 18th day of April ,1997.

Regional Forester

Rocky Mountain Region

Violation of this prohibition is punishable as a class B misdemeanor, by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual and \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six months or both.

Title 16 USC 551 and 18 USC 3571 (b) (6).

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